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Larry Giammo Elected Rockville Mayor Council Seats Go to Dorsey, Hall, Hoffmann and Robbins

Larry Giammo, seeking political office in Rockville for the first time, was elected mayor on November 6 by defeating current Councilmember Robert (Bob) Wright after a long and competitive campaign.

Giammo, 37, is a former member of the City's Planning Commission. His chief campaign issues were to control growth and prevent overdevelopment. Wright, 60, is concluding his third term on the Council.

"I really want to thank the voters of Rockville for putting their trust and confidence in me for the next two years," Giammo said on election night on The Rockville Channel.

Seven candidates were competing for the four Council seats which, like the mayor's position, are two-year terms. Winning a fifth term was incumbent Bob Dorsey, 55. Incumbent Anne Robbins, 59, won her second term. Winning their first terms were John F. Hall, Jr., 37, and Susan R. Hoffmann, 57.

In his campaign, Dorsey stressed maximizing future accomplishments through a collective effort of "volunteer board and commission members, motivated professional staff and informed civic activists.' Robbins emphasized "making the quality of life of Rockville residents our highest

Hall and Hoffmann enter their positions very familiar with City government. Hall has served two terms as chair of the City's Traffic and Transportation Commission. Hoffmann has served five years on the Rockville Planning Commission, including one year as chair.

Although there were differing opinions on issues in both the mayoral and Council campaigns, the new mayor said he was optimistic that he and the four Council members could accomplish much over the next two years.

"I have a good working relationship with all four of them," he said. "I'm looking forward to sitting down with them, and



Rockville's new Mayor and Council: Larry Giammo, along with Council incumbents Bob **Dorsey and Anne** Robbins, and first term members John F. Hall, Jr. and Susan R. Hoffmann.

GIAMMO





ROBBINS





HOFFMANN

ELECTION VOTE TOTALS (All 10 districts reporting)

For Mayor	# Votes	Pct.
LARRY GIAMMO	3,926	56.8%
Robert (Bob) Wright	2,936	42.5%

Note: Winners in CAPS.

For Council/4 seats # Votes Pct. **BOB DORSEY** 4,588 19.1% JOHN F. HALL, JR. 4,374 18.2% 17.9% SUSAN R. HOFFMANN 4,291 ANNE ROBBINS 4,260 17.7% Carl Henn 3,146 13.1% 2,421 10.1% H.W. Thomas, Jr. 840 3.5% Lih Young

city neighborhood associations, over the next couple of months to determine the City's agenda going forward."

Turnout was about 27 percent of the registered voters, compared to 20.6 percent in the 1999 election.

The 58th Mayor and Council were sworn in Sunday, November 18, at the City's F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre.

Terry Treschuk Returns as Police Chief

At a salute in June to his 12 years of service to the City of Rockville, more than 90 minutes of speakers representing citizens' associations, community help organizations, political entities, outside police departments and City Staff, the recurring theme was that it was going to be very difficult to be police chief after Terrance N. Treschuk. After all, he was the only member of the City staff to direct two departments-Rockville's Police Department and its Department of Neighborhood and Community Services. Treschuk set a new direction for the Police Department, establishing a system of community policing that has earned a national reputation. He always was accessible.

Who could follow that? Only one person-Terry Treschuk.

Rockville City Manager Mark Pentz announced on Oct. 29 that Treschuk had accepted the City's invitation to return as Police

Chief. Treschuk, who first began with the City as its Chief of Police in March 1989, left June 23 of this year to become Police Chief of the United States Supreme Court. As prestigious and challenging as that position was, Treschuk found something missing.

"My favorite part of being a police officer was meeting with people in the community and working directly with them," said Treschuk, who had maintained his residence in Rockville. "I left for a new challenge and a different type of police environment, but I never imagined how much I would miss working with people and helping neighborhoods solve problems. If it took leaving for a short time to realize that, so be it. I am just thankful I have this opportunity to return to the City I love."

During his tenure with the City, Treschuk was the impetus behind the City's key police accomplishments including three accreditations/reaccreditations and being nationally recognized for Excellence in Community Policing. Under his leadership, the City combined the police department, the community services department, the neighborhood resource program and the code enforcement division into one department. A citizen survey conducted earlier this year showed Rockville residents think very highly of the police department and the community services pro-

Treschuk, who was sworn in by Mayor Rose Krasnow on Nov. 6, returned only as the City's Police Chief. Since his departure, the City decided to divide the areas of Public Safety and Neighborhood and Community Services. Candidates for Director of Neighborhood and Community Services were recently interviewed. 💠

ROCKVILLE

Calendar of Events City Events

Natural Ornaments at Croydon Creek Nature Center. 11 a.m.-12 noon. Ages 7 and up. \$7 residents, \$9 nonresidents.

1,2,8,9 "The Nutcracker" presented by the Rockville Civic Ballet at the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre. Performance dates and times: Saturday, Dec. 1 and 8—2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, Dec. 2—1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.; Sunday, December 9-2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$7 for general admission; \$5 for children (12 or younger) or senior citizens (60 or older). Group rates are \$6.50 for 7 or more general admission or \$4.50 for 10 or more children or senior citizens. Ticket information: 301-545-5660.

Prehistoric Parade at Croydon Creek Nature Center. 10-11 a.m. Ages 3 - 7. \$3 residents, \$4 nonresidents.

Follow Your Nose at Croydon Creek Nature Center. 10:30-11:30 a.m. Ages 3-6. \$3 residents, \$4 nonresidents.

Rockville Concert Band's annual "Holiday Concert." At the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre. 3 p.m. Free. No tickets required.

Rockville Community Chorus's annual "Holiday Concert" At the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre.7:30 p.m. Free. No tickets required.

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Winter Hike at Croydon Creek Nature Center. 2-3 p.m. All ages welcome. \$2 residents, \$3 nonresidents.

For Seniors

Activities take place at the Senior Center, 1150 Carnation Drive, unless otherwise noted. All programs with an activity number require an in-person, mail-in or online registration. For further information, call 301-309-3025.

Birthday and Holiday Party. 1:30-3 p.m. Refreshments provided with entertainment by the Del Jarrett Trio. Account No. 1277. Register by Nov. 28. Free.

Candlestick Topiary. 3 p.m. Account No. 1211. \$25 members, \$31 non-members.

Holiday Make It and Take. 10 a.m.-12:00 noon. Account No. 2829. \$25 members, \$31 nonmemhers

12 In-person Lottery Registration for Winter Trips. 10:15 a.m.

17 Fresh Green Centerpiece.1-3 p.m. Account No. 2529. \$10 members, \$13 nonmembers.

Classical Music Appreciation. 1-2:30 p.m. Account No. 2711. Free.

For Teens

Now accepting enrollment for the Civiteens Program. It is open to teens ages 15-21 with learning disabilities. Trips are held on weekends. Membership costs \$45 for residents and \$55 for nonresidents. Additional fees are required based on trips. For further information, call 301-309-3345.

Civiteens Trip –Movie & Lunch. \$20 for Civiteen members only.

Civiteens Trip –Winter Lights Ball. \$7 for Civiteen members only.

Robert Frost Teen
Club Dance – Grades 7
and 8. 7:30-10 p.m. at
Robert Frost Middle School
Gymnasium. \$2 for Teen
Club members, \$5 for nonmembers—payable at the
door. Refreshments available.

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City Projects U*P*D*A*T*E

Recreation and Parks

HUNGERFORD

Dawson Farm Park • Replacement of the existing wooden bridge • addition of interpretive historical signs and artwork • partial reconstruction of the original granary • preliminary design stage • completion in spring 2002

MONTROSE

Montrose Community Center • Will undergo renovation and modernization starting February 2002 • improvements to include a new roof, more windows, a new awning, and additional storage space for both inside and outside of the facility • the center, which will be closed during construction, will reopen in summer 2002

KING FARM

King Farm Park • Construction complete on 12-acre site, which includes basketball and tennis courts, soccer and baseball fields, and picnic and open areas

GENERAL PROJECTS

Millennium Trail • Construction completed on path along Wootton Parkway from Falls Road to Darnestown Road • Norbeck Road path from East Gude Drive to Veirs Mill Road in design with construction scheduled for 2002 • resurfacing of path along Wootton Parkway from Edmonston Drive to Falls Road scheduled for 2002 • neighborhood and individual citizen input has been and will continue to be incorporated into design

I-270/Route 28 Bike/Pedestrian Bridge • TEA-21 award for \$3,124,421 received from State Highway Administration • under design • separate bridge parallel to Route 28 on south side across I-270 to connect Hurley Avenue and Nelson Street bikeways • construction scheduled for spring 2003 • neighborhood and individual citizen input has been and will continue to be incorporated into design

Beall-Dawson Historical Park • Realign and replace brick walkways to correct safety issues • create a dooryard on northwest side of the

house • install period lighting • contract has been awarded

Parks Topographical, Tree and Boundary
Survey • Project completed • under final review • provides updated information for planning, asset inventory and maintenance operations

Croydon Creek Nature Center • Located at Rockville Civic Center Park • Currently under construction • opening for programming in December • grand opening will coincide with Earth Day in April 2002

Rockville Senior Center • Expand dining room • soundproof card and computer rooms • renovate kitchen • planning to begin in winter 2001-02 • construction in spring 2002

Playground Equipment Improvements • Replaced equipment at Lone Oak and Welsh Parks during summer 2001 • replace equipment at Isreal Park, Dogwood Park upper play area, and Broome Park

RedGate Golf Course-Bunker Renovation Project • Design phase completed • bidding on hold until FY 2003

Gude Drive Maintenance Facility • Replace salt dome • relocate material storage yard and salt box hangers • create new entrance to complex • improve offices • install stormwater management (SWM)

Wootton Parkway Landscape • Enhancements to existing landscape on Wootton Parkway between Route 355 and Falls Road • designs have been developed by City's landscape architect • Proposed designs will be made available for citizen comment

Public Works

TOWN CENTER

Maryland Avenue Extension • Roadway alignment analysis to extend Maryland Avenue from Middle Lane to Beall Avenue being conducted • surveying of this area is the next work element

EAST ROCKVILLE

Highland Avenue • Construction is complete

WEST END

Great Falls State Road Project • All utility work complete • State contractor has begun building the new travel ways with construction of roadway, bike path, sidewalk, curb and gutter • work is expected to be completed in December

GENERAL PROJECTS

Water Main Work • Will strengthen water distribution system and improve fire flows on Chapman Avenue • main to be replaced in the summer of 2002

Baltimore Road • Bike path upgrade from Gladstone to Rockville High School is being designed • construction is expected to begin this spring

Wootton Parkway Improvements • Adding new traffic signal and an extra turn lane on Scott Drive at Wootton Parkway to separate right and left turn movements • completion anticipated by spring • modifying the intersection of Wootton Parkway and Glen Mill Road so Wootton Parkway continues straight to Darnestown Road, with Glen Mill Road stopping at Wootton Parkway • modifications will take place in next six months

Mount Vernon SWM • Will improve Cabin John Creek with modifications to existing stormwater management • sanitary sewer to be replaced and enlarged • construction planned for spring 2002

Avery Road Turn Lane • Work has been completed on the addition of a right turn lane from Avery Road onto Route 28

Fallsgrove Off-Site Improvements • The developer of Fallsgrove is required to make improvements in the intersections of Gude Drive and Research Boulevard, Gude Drive and Gaither Road and Wootton Parkway and Scott Drive • plans for these improvements are in final review, with construction expected to begin in November



Fall Leaf Collection Continues

All leaves must be raked to the curb during your collection week by 7 a.m. Friday.

The day before a scheduled collection, please rake leaves into the gutter or immediately adjacent to the pavement where no curb or gutter exists. Please be sure to remove limbs, rocks and other heavy objects.

In addition to vacuuming leaves, the City's recycling program will collect leaves and grass that are put in biodegradable bags or easily emptied containers. Do not use plastic bags.

Rockville also encourages alternative methods for getting rid of leaves to save collection and disposal costs and to help the environment. Some alternatives are to mulch leaves or to compost them.

For more information call 301-309-3020 or 301-309-3094 between 7 a.m. and 3 p.m.

 AREA 1
 AREA 2
 AREA 3
 AREA 4
 AREA 5

 Nov. 26-30
 Dec. 3-7
 Dec. 10-14
 Dec. 17-21
 Dec. 24-28

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Holiday Happenings

Nutcracker Brightens Theatre

The Rockville Civic Ballet, under the direction of Claudia Mangan, will present "The Nutcracker" at the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre in December. The performance dates will be Saturdays, Dec. 1 and 8 (2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.); Sundays Dec. 2 (1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.) and Dec. 9 (2:30 p.m.).

Tickets are \$7 for general admission and \$5 for children (12 or younger) and senior citizens (60 or older). Group rates are available at \$6.50 for seven or more general admissions and at \$4.50 for 10 or more children or senior citizens.

CALL **301-545-5660** FOR MORE INFO

Chorus Chimes In

The Rockville Community Chorus will present its annual "Holiday Concert" at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 16, at the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre. The concert is free.

Rockville Concert Band Plays in The Holiday Season

The Rockville Concert Band, now in its 40th season, will perform a free holiday-inspired concert on Sunday, Dec. 16 at 3 p.m., at the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre. The theatre is located on the Rockville Civic Center Park at Baltimore Road and Edmonston Drive.

The concert band, composed of volunteers, is under the direction of Vincent Patterson. The concert is free and open to the public.

CALL **301-309-3354** FOR MORE INFO

Bazaar Events At Senior Center

The Rockville Senior Center will host its annual Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, Dec.1, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Holiday items of all kinds will be available, including crafts, baked goods, computers, plants and other attic treasures. All proceeds will go the Senior Center, located on 1150 Carnation Drive.

CALL **301-309-3161** FOR MORE INFO

In Brief

Winter Weather Advisory

Now that the cold weather is upon us, Rockville's Community Enhancement/
Code Enforcement Division reminds residents that snow and ice on sidewalks and public paved areas is a hazard for all pedestrians, especially children and older adults. The City encourages everyone's assistance to keep the sidewalks clear.

The City's Snow Ordinance requires that snow must be removed from all sidewalks, steps, driveways, parking spaces and the paved right of way sidewalk immediately fronting or abutting a property. This includes access ramps and curb cuts designed for use by persons with disabilities.

Snow and ice removal must occur within 24 hours if the snow fall is less than three inches and within 48 hours if it surpasses three inches.

For more information call 301-545-5650.



Bridge to the Future

The check was BIG, and so was the amount. The City of Rockville received a \$3.1 million award to construct a bicycle-pedestrian bridge that will allow walkers and bikers to easily access both sides of Interstate 270. The federal money, distributed through the Maryland State Highway Administration, will help build the bridge adjacent to Route 28 (near Nelson Street on the east and near Hurley Avenue on the west). Holding the check at the presentation on the west side of the bridge site, from left to right, were State Delegate Cheryl Kagan, State Senator Jennie Forehand and then-Rockville Mayor Rose Krasnow.

Maryvale's Finest Is Just Dandy Again

The youth parade and step unit, Maryvale's Finest, concluded it's 2001 performance season on Oct. 27. The group of more than 100, which is led by Artistic director and choreographer Kashi Barrett and is supported by an active parents group, brought home eight trophies and more than \$1,000 in prizes and donations from performances this year.

In addition to performing locally, Maryvale's Finest traveled to places such as Richmond, Va., Jefferson County, W.Va., and Cambridge, Md.

Nominations Sought for Human Rights Awards

The City's Human Rights Commission is seeking nominations for its Martin Luther King Jr. Youth Award. The award will go to a Rockville high school student (in public or private school) who has performed a deed that has positively impacted a person or the community.

The Human Right's Commission is also seeking nominations for its Taff Award. That award honors an individual or organization who has made a contribution to improving the quality of life of one or more people with disabilities. The Taff Award is open to any business, non-profit employer, or individual. Federal, state, and local government agencies are not eligible for the award, but they are encouraged to submit nominations.

Both awards will be presented at the City's annual Martin Luther King Jr. celebration on Jan. 21, 2002. Applications may be obtained by calling the Human Rights Office at 301-309-3388 or on the Web at www.ci.rockville.md.us.

Town Center Team To Outline 2002 Goals

The Town Center Action Team meeting has been moved to Tuesday, Nov. 27, from 7-9 p.m. at the Red Brick Courthouse. The meeting will outline goals for the coming year, using the Town Center Master Plan as a framework.

Off-Leash Testing

The City's Neighborhood Services Division of Animal Control will conduct its Off-Leash Testing on Saturday, Dec. 15, at 10 a.m., in the Middle Lane parking lot. Call 301-309-3115 to register in advance.

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Larry Giammo Elegido Alcalde

Larry Giammo ha sido elegido para servir como próximo alcalde de Rockville derrotando al actual concejal Robert (Bob) Wright después de una ardua y competitiva campaña electoral.

Giammo de 37 años es un ex miembro de la Comisión de Planificaciones de la ciudad de Rockville. El número total de votos a favor de Giammo fue de 3,926 votos o el 56.8 %. Wright recibió 2,936 ó el 42.5 % de los votos.

"Quiero agradecer a todos los votantes de Rockville por confiar en mí por los próximos dos años," dijo Giammo en el Canal de Rockville por televisión de cable.

Hubo siete candidatos competiendo para los cuatro puestos de concejales que, igualmente a la alcaldía, son por un término de dos años. Bob Dorsey de 55 años ganó su quinto término como concejal con 4,588 ó el 19.1 % de los votos. Anne Robbins de 59 años ganó su segundo término con 4,260 ó el 17.7% de los votos. John F. Hall, Jr. De 37 años gano su primer término con 4,374 ó el 18.2 % de los votos, e igual Susan R. Hoffmann de 57 años gano su primer término con 4,291 ó el 17.9 % de los votos. Los otros candidatos que no lograron un puesto incluyen a Carl Henn (3,146 votos ó el 13.1 %), H.W. Thomas, Jr. (2,421 votos ó el 10.1%) y Lih Young (840 votos ó el 3.5 %).

Aunque había mucha diferencia de opinión sobre los distintos temas entre todos los candidatos, el nuevo alcalde dice sentirse optimista en poder llegar a lograr muchas cosas buenas en los próximos dos años

"Tengo una buena relación con los cuatros," dijo Giammo. "Espero con entusiasmo, en los próximos meses, poder sentarme a trabajar con ellos y las asociaciones de vecindarios para desarrollar el rumbo que la ciudad ha de tomar en el futuro."



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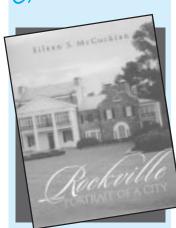
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Civiteens Trip –Winter Lights and Dinner. \$30 for Civiteen members only.

Teen Club Trip –
Winter Break Trip to Ski
Whitetail. For grades 6-12.
See the Winter Recreation
Guide for trip details and
fees.

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Rockville: Portrait of a City

As part of the City of Rockville's Millennium celebration, and in regard to the 200th anniversary of the naming of "Rockville," a book is being published that chronicles the City's rich history.

Some notes about Rockville: Portrait of a City:

- Author: Eileen S. McGuckian
- The subject: Covers Rockville's rich history including its prominent citizens and chronological development
- Added insight: Explores origins of street names and Rockville's system of local government
- See it happen: More than 230 photographs
- Price: \$36.50 (plus \$5 per book for shipping and handling)
- Available: In December
- Order information: Call 301-309-3330 or come to the information counter at Rockville City Hall, 111 Maryland Avenue





December Program Schedule

REGULAR PROGRAMS

Mayor & Council Live December 10, 7:30 p.m. General Session December 17, 7:30 p.m. Public Hearing

Meeting Replays

Monday, 7:30 p.m. (if no live meeting) Sun. and Tues., 7:30 p.m. Daily, 1 a.m. and 3 p.m. Sun. and Sat. 9 a.m.

City Hall Report

Daily, 6 a.m., 8 a.m., noon, 6 p.m., and 10 p.m.

Cityline

Daily, 6:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m. Wed.-Sat., 9:30 p.m.

Mayor & Council Review Daily, 7:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m., 10:30 p.m.

SPECIALS Mayor and Council Inauguration

Wed.-Sat., 8:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m., 1 p.m.

Annual Report

Daily, 7:10 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. Wed.-Sat., 11 p.m. Wed. and Thurs., 8 p.m.

Caregivers:

Mentors Programs
Monday - Friday, 10 a.m.
Mon. and Fri., 2 p.m.
Sat. and Sun., 2:30 p.m.

Wed. and Thurs., 7:30 p.m. Sun. - Tues., 11 p.m.

Decked Halls

Sun.-Thurs., 7 p.m. Mon. – Fri, 11 a.m. Daily, 7 a.m.

The Nutcracker

Sat. and Sun., 1 p.m. Fri. and Sat., 7 p.m.



Now that days are shorter and the sunlight is limited, it is important to have lights on the front and back of your bike and reflectors on both wheels. And don't forget to wear reflective clothing.

Inside City Hall

Meetings, Minutes, etc.

Minutes Highlights

From General Session of Oct. 8 and 22nd: On Oct. 8, the Mayor and Council:

- Were introduced to W.L. Smith, the new warden of the Montgomery County Detention Center
- Were presented with the final draft of the commemorative book *Rockville: Portrait of* a City by author Eileen McGuckian and John Moser, chair of the City's Millennium Committee
- Appointed Mr. Moser chair of the City's Cultural Arts Commission through Oct. 1, 2002
- Approved awarding of two bids for the concrete maintenance program to NZI Construction of Beltsville (for \$525,000) and Romano Concrete Construction of Silver Spring (for \$525,000)
- Approved awarding of bid for construction of a pathway and related work at Beall-Dawson Historical Park to Highway and Safety Services of Gaithersburg (for \$20,635)
- Approved regional Stormwater Management Participation request for National Capital Research Park at 1401 Research Boulevard.
- Adopted ordinance to grant street closing and abandonment application of Mary Howard, allowing abandonment of a 121foot long alley between 302 and 304 Park
- Adopted resolution to designate and establish the Town Center Planning Area as a tax increment financing development district. The resolution creates a special fund that would provide for the financing of improvements with the Town Center Development District.

On Oct. 22, the Mayor and Council:

- Proclaimed November as American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage month
- Proclaimed recognition of the 2001 Rockville Holiday Drive
- Proclaimed Nov. 15 as America Recycles Day
- Presented a certificate of recognition to Julius West Middle School for being chosen as one of the 100 most outstanding middle schools in the U.S. by the National Association of Secondary School Principals
- Recognized the following retiring members of City boards and commissions:
 Kristen Bender (Animal Matters Board);
 Karen Lechter (Board of Appeals);
 Dylan Presman (Human Rights Commission);
 Diane Fasolina (Landlord Tenant Affairs);
 Wayne Breslyn (Science, Technology and the Environment Commission);
 and Winston Lark (Senior Citizens Commission)
- Appointed Michael Hirsch chair of the Science, Technology and the Environment Commission until Oct. 1, 2002
- Awarded contract to Sprinkle Consulting of Laurel for \$64,750 to develop and implement a bicycle/pedestrian safety education curriculum
- Awarded bid for \$123,508 to Rummel, Klepper and Kahl, LLP for design of the Cabin John Sewer Main, Phase I
- Awarded contract to ZHA, Inc. of Annapolis for professional services to review and analyze development proposals and to act as the "disclosed" agent for the City

Mayor and Council Meetings

November 26: General Session Worksession (Fiscal Impact Analysis) December 10: General Session December 17: Public Hearing (Street Closing: SCA2001-00085)

All meetings, unless noted, are in the Mayor and Council Chambers in Rockville City Hall, 111 Maryland Avenue. Meetings start at 7:30 p.m.

General sessions and public hearings are televised live on The Rockville Channel (Cable Channel 11). Meetings are replayed at 7:30 p.m. on Mondays (if there is not live meeting); Sundays and Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays at 9 a.m.; and daily at 1 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Mayor and Council **Drop-In**

The Mayor and one member of the Council are available to meet with residents on a drop-in basis in the Mayor and Council office at City Hall from 5:30-7 p.m. on Mondays when there is a General Session or a Public Hearing. The front door of City Hall will remain open during this time.

The Drop-In schedule of the new Mayor and Council has yet to be determined for the Nov. 26, Dec. 10 and Dec. 17 meeting nights.

during negotiations with the developer (Part I of contract for \$36,000 plus expenses; Part 2 not to exceed \$70,000)

- Modified bid to TransMetro Construction of Upper Marlboro (for \$108,041) for construction of Millennium Trail along Wootton Parkway from Falls Road to Darnestown Road
- Awarded bids for purchase of water meters to Hughes Supply of Roanoke, Va., (not to exceed \$206,654) and L/B Service South of Chambersburg, Pa. (for \$47,242)
- Introduced ordinance to authorize issuance and sale of a bond to the Maryland Water Quality Financing Administration to finance Phase 3 of improvements to Rockville water treatment system
- Approved a waiver of Zoning Ordinance for 1701 Rockville Pike (by applicant Congressional South Associates Limited Partnership) that would have required not less than 75 percent of the gross leasable area of the ground floor of buildings within the RPC Zone to be devoted to retail sales and personal services when developed under the Optional Method of Development
- Adopted Town Center Master Plan as an amendment to the Master Plan of Rockville

Vacancies

Boards and Commissions meet at various times. If interested in a current opening, contact the City Clerk's Office at 301-309-3310.

Board of Appeals (one vacancy):

Members serve overlapping three-year

terms. The Board is charged with the responsibility of hearing and deciding all appeals and applications for variances and special exceptions, as provided for in the Zoning Ordinance or other ordinance of the City of Rockville.

The Human Services Advisory Commission (one at-large vacancy and one consumer representative):

This body provides advice and guidance to the Mayor and Council on human service needs in Rockville and how best to address them. Members serve overlapping threeyear terms.

Landlord/Tenant Affairs Commission (one vacancy):

This seven-member body is comprised of two landlords, two tenants and three people from the citizenry at large. It provides a forum for adjudicating differences or disputes between landlords and tenants.

Senior Citizens Commission (one vacancy): This nine-member body is charged with proposing program, activities, and legislation to meet the needs of senior citizens.

Members serve for three years.

Human Rights Commission (two vacancies):

This 11-member body is charged with promoting the diversity reflected among the City's residents and its business establishments. The Commission provides free mediation services to people in the City who may find themselves in conflict with a neighbor, landlord, tenant, or business, for example.

Traffic and Transportation Commission (one vacancy):

This nine-member body is appointed by the Mayor with the concurrence of the Council for two-year terms. Its purpose is to advise the Council and the Planning Commission on all City traffic matters.

Boards and Commission Calendar

All meetings at City Hall unless noted November 27 (Tuesday)

Town Center Action Team, 7 p.m. (Red Brick Courthouse/Room 105)

November 28 (Wednesday)

Planning Commission, 7

December 5 (Wednesday)

Planning Commission, 7
Human Rights Commission

Human Rights Commission, 7:30 p.m. **December 6 (Thursday)**

Board of Appeals, 7 p.m.

December 11 (Tuesday)

Science, Technology and Environment Commission, 7:30 p.m.

Human Services Advisory Commission, 7:30 p.m. (At the Community Services Office, 32 Courthouse Square)

December 12 (Wednesday)

Bike Advisory Committee, 7:15 p.m. Cultural Arts Commission, 7:30 p.m.

December 18 (Tuesday)

Historic District Commission, 7 p.m.

December 19 (Wednesday)

Planning Commission, 7 Traffic & Transportation Commission, 7:30 p.m.

December 20 (Thursday)

Sister City Corporation, 7:30 p.m.